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In re Application of:

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For: **MATERIAL COMPRISING A SURFACE CONSISTING OF A METAL CARBIDE-CARBON COMPOSITE AND A METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Prior to examining on the merits and calculating the filing fee for the application filed herewith, please enter the following amendments in the captioned application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 6 to remove the multiple dependency.